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SUBJ: UN FINANCES: FIFTH COMMITTEE DISCUSSES BUDGET MACHINERY  
AND BUDGET SECTION 22

REFS: A) USUN 5045, B) STATE 244184

1. SUMMARY: AT 1715TH MEETING OCTOBER 16, 5TH COMMITTEE CONSIDERED ORAL AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT RESOLUTION ON BUDGET MACHINERY AND THEN DEFERRED DECISION UNTIL NEXT WEEK. COMMITTEE THEN HEARD STATEMENTS ON BUDGET SECTION 22 FROM US, UK, UKRAINE SSR, ALGERIA, MEXICO, ARGENTINA MADAGASCAR AND PERU. USYG DAVIDSON AND BUDGET DIRECTOR LAVAU REPLIED TO QUESTIONS RAISED IN GENERAL DEBATE ON SECTION. AT NEXT MEETING, OCTOBER 17, COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ELECTIONS TO ACABQ (103A), RESUME SECTION 22, THEN TAKE UP REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS (SECTIONS 6-10, BEGINNING WITH ECA (9), AND ECLA (8). CHAIRMAN WILL PRESENT REVISED WORK PROGRAM IN A/C.5/L.1225/REV.1. END SUMMARY

2. SCHMIDT (FRG) EXPLAINED AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT RESOLUTION ON BUDGET MACHINERY. AFTER BRIEF DISCUSSION, AT REQUEST OF ALGERIAN REP, COMMITTEE DECIDED TO POSTPONE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION UNTIL NEXT WEEK.

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3. US REP (NORBURY) GAVE STATEMENT PER INSTRUCTIONS IN REF B).

STUART (UK) NOTED 26 PERCENT GROWTH IN EXPENDITURES UNDER SECTION 22. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT FAILURE OF UN TO RECEIVE ADEQUATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF UN SYSTEM, URGING SUPPORT FOR SOVIET DRAFT DECISION (A/C5/L.1230).

4. UKRAINIAN SSR REP SAID HE COULD NOT SUPPORT SYG REQUESTS AND WILL VOTE AGAINST. ALGERIAN AND PERUVIAN REPS CHARACTERIZED SECTION 22 AS MONSTROUS; ALGERIA QUESTIONED NEED FOR 50 PERSONS TO HANDLE ELECTRONIC PROCESSING INFO SYSTEM. ALGERIAN AND ARGENTINE REPS SUGGESTED UN BREAK LEASE ON NEW UNDC BUILDING IN ORDER TO AVOID DOUBLE EXPENDITURE FOR RENTAL OF PREMISES.

5. MEXICO REP SAID ASSESSMENT OF RESULTS OBTAINED IN PREVIOUS YEARS IS NECESSARY AS WELL AS FULL JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUESTS THIS BIENNIUM; QUESTIONED HOW MANY COMPUTER HOURS ARE AVAILABLE TO UN AND WHETHER THEY ARE BEING UTILIZED; ENDORSED ACABQ SUGGESTION THAT SYG SUBMIT REPORT (PARA 22.34). MADAGASCAR REP SAID SECTION 22 HAS DIRECT EFFECT ON FUNCTIONING OF UN, BUT DOCUMENT SHOULD BE MORE CONCISE; CONCERNED ABOUT RATE OF INCREASE IN APPROPRIATIONS. HE SUPPORTED UK POSITION RE REIMBURSEMENT OF COMMON SERVICE COSTS AND ENDORSED RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS OF ACABQ.

6. USYG DAVIDSON OF ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT DEFENDED BUDGET FOR SECTION 22 BY COMPARING ORGANIZATION TO TREE, SAYING IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GROW LEAVES WITHOUT TRUNK AND BRANCHES, AND ROOTS ARE NEEDED TO SUPPORT ALL ITS PARTS. SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAMS ARE IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT SUPPORT OF ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT AND CONFERENCE SERVICES; SECTION LENDS SUPPORT TO NUMEROUS DEPARTMENTS CARRYING OUT SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAMS. HE RESPONDED TO GENERAL QUESTIONS FROM REPS CONCERNING (1) JOINT SHARING OF COSTS AS IN CASE OF JOINT INSPECTION UNIT (JIU), INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION (CSC), CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION (CCAQ), AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION (ACC); (2) BUDGET OF INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE, WHICH IS PRESENTED TO SYG, THEN GIVEN TO ACABQ AND COMMITTEE 5. SYG DOES NOT ALTER, BUT SEEKS APPROVAL OF UN SHARE OF TOTAL COST; (E) THE PROGRESS REPORT OF AMS HAS BEEN ISSUED AND UNCLASSIFIED

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FULLY DISCUSSED IN ACABQ; (4) DAVIDSON ASSURED COMMITTEE UN WOULD NOT PAY FOR LEASE IN UNDC BUILDING UNTIL ACTUALLY OCCUPYING IT; MOREOVER, THERE IS POSSIBILITY SOME OTHER ORGANIZATION WOULD TAKE ON LEASES IN PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BUILDINGS AND RELIEVE UN OF RESPONSIBILITY; AND (5) SAID EXTRABUDGETARY ACTIVITIES ARE BEING LOOKED INTO, AND ADDED THAT RECIPROCAL SERVICES ARE A TWO-WAY STREET. ONE SHOULD LOOK AT COST OF SUPPORT SERVICES FOR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

IN RELATION TO THE VALUE OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO UN.  
REFERRED TO RES 57 (I) RE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED UNICEF, AND  
SAID SOMETHING SIMILAR HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR UNDP.

7. BUDGET DIRECTOR LAVAU SAID UNDP WOULD OCCUPY ABOUT 40 PERCENT  
AND UN 60 PERCENT OF NEW UNDC BUILDING, AND THAT EACH WOULD  
PAY PROPORTIONATE COST OF GENERAL SERVICES; ALSO THAT ECONOMIC  
AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT WOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO NEW  
BUILDING.  
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